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From Yesterday's "Evening News"  
BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD  
GEN. SHIELDS' ADVANCE

Ex-Gov. Morehead Released  
PROCLAMATION FROM JEFF DAVIS

**YANCEY'S CAPTURE CONFIRMED**  
OFFICIAL DISPATCH FROM COM. FOOT

WINCHESTER, March 19.—The railroad bridge at Harper's Ferry was completed last night. The railroad is also completed from Cumberland to Martinsburg, and it will take several days to finish the route from Martinsburg to the Ferry in consequence of the want of rails to replace that taken up by the enemy.

Passengers from Strasburg report that the roadmen from the north have been

The official report says: General Shields' approach, from Jackson disputed Gen. Sherman's position at the battle of Gettysburg, was met by the infantry and artillery. It is reported that our cavalry occupied the center. One of our soldiers was severely wounded. The ship of Adams' Express is now here to re-establish an office.

The official report says: General Shields encountered the rear guard of Jackson's forces just beyond Middletown with his forces placed in small bodies of infantry and cavalry. They disputed General Sherman's progress, stopping at all the strongest points and then retiring. They crossed Gen. Sherman's bridge over the Potomac River and destroyed the bridge. Gen. Shields this morning built a temporary bridge, and after a skirmish entered

town and drew out his pickets two miles beyond. The loss of the enemy is stated.

WASHINGTON, March 19, P. M.—A dispatch received from Cairo, dated 9 o'clock, says nothing had been heard from Island No. 1 to-day.

General Pope repulsed the rebel gunboats at New Madrid, sinking one boat and damaging others.

EX-GOVERNOR MOREHEAD, of Ky., was today released by order of the Secretary of War, upon the condition of the parole that he was required to take at the time of his capture.

The Government has information from several sources that the four steamers now being built by the rebels (two at Mobile and two at New Orleans), are similar in construction, though undoubtedly more formidable than the *Hollins* turbine. It will, however, it is believed, be

New York, March 20.—John G. Davis was yesterday arrested for swindling Government.

A Times dispatch from the rebel battery at Shippingpoint, on Wednesday, says: "The contraband has just arrived, and reports that Jeff. Davis issued a proclamation on the 16th, calling upon all male inhabitants between the ages of sixteen and sixty years to form themselves into companies, and report immediately to headquarters. Virginia, says, demands every sacrifice to maintain the integrity of her soil."

Many people are flying from their homes anxious to reach our side.

Every thing now is at a stand still from the Potomac to Richmond.

Trade is totally suspended.

A deserter was brought in yesterday from Liverpool point. He left home because a proclamation was issued on the 16th for the militia to turn out. He was in Frederickburg day before yesterday.

Troops were arriving in Frederickburg from the banks of the Potomac.

From 22,000 to 30,000 have passed through there.

He says that they were defending a farm formed by Acquia creek, Beaver Dam, Rappahannock and a gap in the mountains.

Washington, March 19.—A dispatch from flag officer Dupont, dated March 15th, of the Augustino, Fla., has the following:

Further information from the St. Johns river is satisfactory. The burning of mills and lumber at St. Johns, with five hotel at Jacksonville, and the home of Mr. Robinson, a Union man, was by order of the rebel General Trippier, who after ingloriously dying with his forces at the town, with very creditable

WASHINGTON, March 20.—An official patch from Commodore Foote, received twelve o'clock last night at Cairo, and graphed hither, says Island No. 10 is hard to conquer than Columbus, as the island shores are lined with forts, each commanding the one above it. I am gradually approaching the island, but still do not know for much until the occurrence of circumstances, which promise success.

Commodore Foote adds: We are firing and night on the rebels, and we gain them. We are having some of the beautiful rifle practice ever witnessed. mortar shells have done fine execution. A shell was landed in their floating battery and cleared the concern in short order.

FORTRESS MONROE, March 19.—Mr. Gar is elected to Congress by 130 to majority.

A flag of truce was sent out to-day, no news was received from the South. order of General Wool, the boat's crew had permission to receive Southern

Mr. Yancey was captured a day or so since on board a schooner which was trying to run the blockade. He was dressed in sailors' clothes, but was recognized by the newspaper correspondents.

**CINCINNATI, March 20, M.**—The river has risen 21 inches, and there are now 38 feet of water in the channel. It has been raining steadily since 9 o'clock this morning. Mercury

rendered untenable, but in most cases terribly destroyed. Several of these projectiles were thrown by the gunboat Saxon on the enemy's shore at the mouth of Mississippi recently, each falling at a distance of three miles, set fire to a cable barge which was found burning five days later. A ship pierced with one of these shells would, it is claimed, inevitably burn to water's edge; and an entire city could be in flames in ten minutes. Against iron vessels this would, it is believed, prove a terrible weapon, as the flames would adhere to the entire surface of the object for miles around.

by a quarter of an hour, destroying by flames every occupant of the vessel. Short is confident that with fifty of his men he could have reduced Fort Donelson; a few such visitors would, in his opinion, very soon render Norfolk too hot for rebels.—*Washington Evening Star*, 14th.











